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Remarks

Pursuant to the restriction requirement by the Examiner, Applicants elect Figure 3 with traverse. All claims read on Figure 3 as amended. Claims 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 28, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37 and 38 read on Figure 3 prior to the drawing amendment and original Figure 3 included no species alternative that excludes claims 27 and 29.

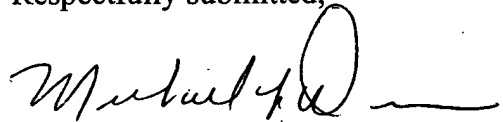
Figure 3 is appropriately amended as provided in the text of the specification at page 3, lines 28-30 and page 4, lines 3-4. The addition of the numeral 8 merely designates structure already present.

The restriction of species restriction is improper since there are no mutually exclusive species in the claims.

The paragraph beginning on line 20 of page 1 of the specification has been amended to delete "198 31 967.3," since this German patent application has not been published. The amendment adds no new matter since this German application is cited as background art and other references are cited for the same purpose.

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